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Stonewall

So glad to report Rev. J. P. Leitner was able to preach for us Sunday. His visitors over the week end were Mr. and Mrs. Sam Thornhill, from Gladstone. Mr. and Mrs. Abbitt Coleman and family, from Appomattox, and his daughter, Miss Louise Leitner and Mr. and Mrs. Hedgepath, from Richmond and numerous of the neighbors called all through the week.

Mrs. Etta Routon is ill. She will go to the hospital for treatments. Our wishes go with her for a speedy get well.

Mr. and Mrs. Wal ace Bordurant had as their week end guest Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie McNulty and Linda, of Petersburg; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Davidson and family for birthday dinner being Tom's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Wheeler visited Mrs. Elizabeth Woolfrom Friday night.

Mrs. I. B. Wheeler visited Mrs Ben Wheeler and Mrs. Smith Thursday also Miss Anne Alvis at Appomattox.

Mr. and Mrs. Parks Jennings visited their son, Dr. Tom Jennings and family in Bedford Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Matthews, of Orange, spent the week end with her father, Mr. J. O. Davidson. Her birthday was Sunday. So many more birthdays to Tom and Lee. They are twins.

Mr. and Mrs. Tilden Lee went to see their uncle, Mr. Walter Lee at Baptist Home at Culpeper Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Burnett, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Burnett and Tim visited him Sunday. He was feeling fine.

Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Wheeler had as their Sunday visitors Ben Wheeler and family, Bertha Jones and family, John Wheeler and Mrs. Booker, of Lynchburg.

Mrs. Ida Stratton, of Lynchburg, is spending a while with her son, Kelly Stratton, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Stratton spent part of last week in Richmond with his aunt and uncle Mr. and Mrs. Bill Seay. Mr. Seay is in hospital having his eyes examined.

Sorry Mr. Carey Carson is ill at home at this writing.

Miss Martha Carson has gotten real well and has come to make her home with Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Carson. We welcome such a lovely lady in our mist.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Carson had as their dinner guest Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Ken Smith and two daughters and Mr. Smith's step-father, Mr. Quigley who is making his home with them.

District Six Women To Meet

On Wednesday, March 18, 1964 The Women of the Church of District VI in Appomattox Presbytery will hold their Annual Conference. The meeting, which will begin at 10 a.m. and continue through lunch, will be held at Arvonia Presbyterian Church in Arvonia, Va. Mrs. Calvin Bass, District Chairman, will preside. The theme of the program will be Christian Worship. Included will be an explanation of the revised plan of organization for the Women of the Church. Mrs. John McLean, President of Appomattox Presbyteria', will discuss why the women are moving into the Covenant Life Curriculum which stresses Women's responsibilities first to Christ, then the family, the community and the world. All women belonging to churches in District VI are urged to attend this inspirational as well as informative meeting.

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Pilate Judged

Lesson for March 15, 1964

This was one of the momentous meetings in history. As so often is true, what you could have seen with the naked eye or with a camera, was not what you could have seen with the eyes of the spirit. To the outward eye, everything was rigged in favor of Pilate. He had the authority; Jesus had never been so much as a village head-man, while Pilate was the colonial governor representing the Roman Empire. Pilate had large numbers of soldiers to carry out his will, Jesus not so much as a single servant-boy. Pilate was officially the judge, and Jesus the prisoner; but now we know (would we have guessed it then?) that Pilate was being judged, not Jesus. Jesus was led out from that hall of "justice" a condemned man, but the verdict of the ages is that it was Pilate who was the guilty one.

What Pilate Thought

It is not mere guessing to suggest what Pilate was thinking, in that early morning court room scene. We know what he said, and how he acted, and so we can venture to say what he was thinking.

"I have the power here," he must have thought. Of course. Did not Rome always have the power? What can a young and friendless barbarian (for so Pilate must have regarded his strange prisoner) do against my orders? The Governor could not know that this very prisoner would exert a power through the next 20 centuries far greater than any government has ever been able to impose. There now are societies that honor Jesus all over the globe; but where are the Pilate - societies? With Pilate's death his power came to an end. With Jesus' death His power would begin anew.

"This man has done no wrong, but . . ." Pilate acted unjustly and he knew it. One trouble with that man was that he really cared for something else more than justice. "I have my own career to think of," he thought.

What Jesus Thought

The prisoner looked on the judge with something between pity and contempt. He knew that Pilate knew nothing whatever about the case. He know that Pilate, like some modern envoys, did not probably bother to learn the language of the people to whom he was assigned as governor — and that he had to depend on the chief priests and other religious leaders of Judea to guide him in his decisions. Pilate listened for the voice of power; and those who made the power-structure in that country all said Guilty: Cruelty this man. Pilate like all men in authority had to keep his ear to the ground, he had to know what people were saying. There was no difficulty in hearing them. The streets were full of screams. Luke says sadly that "their voices prevailed."

Two Kingdoms

Yet if Jesus ever had contempt for any man — and he did — he must have felt contempt for Pilate. The governor had one idea of what the real world is; the prisoner had quite another. Pilate believed in what he could see and handle and manage. Jesus believed in a Kingdom of Truth. He was not carried away by the word "King." When Pilate asked him, "You are a king, then?" Jesus said in effect, "King is your word. I was born to bear witness to Truth." This Pilate could not understand at all. A kingdom of armies, fortresses, wealth, yes, but a kingdom of truth — what is truth? Jesus had not groveled before Pilate, nor asked him a single favor. But he had offered him his one chance, his last one. If Pilate had shown the least heart-interest in Truth, Jesus would have talked with him. He had talked with rich and poor, great and small before; he would have not refused to speak to the heart of the judge. But it was now too late. The judge had been judged, Is it not so always, when a man faces Jesus, and must choose.

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Pamplin

Miss Kate Franklin entered the Memorial Hospital in Richmond Friday for observation.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Arthur, of Fairfax, were week end guests of Mrs. Ruby Jamerson.

We were sorry to hear of the death of Mr. Thomas Mann, son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Williams. Mr. Mann passed away Monday, March 2, at his home in Richmond. The funeral was held in the Bethel Baptist Church in Richmond on Wednesday with interment in Memorial Gardens Cemetery near Richmond. Mr. Mann had been declining health for some time. Both Mr. and Mrs. Mann were formerly of Pamplin.

Mrs. Alice Hanks is now in Stuart Circle Hospital Friday for a check up and treatments. We wish for her a speedy recovery. The family and relatives have our sincere prayers and sympathy in their bereavement.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Longworth, of Farmville, were Saturday night supper guests of his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Cunningham.

Recent visitors of Mrs. Green Garrett were Mrs. Kermit Garrett, of Lynchburg; Mr. and Mrs. Leon Blackwell, of Evergreen; Mr. and Mrs. Divalo Garrett, Peggy, and Mrs. Louise Blackwell.

Walter Garrison returned home Friday morning and is much improved healthwise is the latest report.

Sunday afternoon callers in the home of Dr. and Mrs. C. H. McCall were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Morris, of Lynchburg, and Mrs. Treves Reeve and daughter, Frances.

Mrs. Allen Hamlett and daughter, Brenda, and Mrs. Elmo Lee attended a miscellaneous shower given by Mrs. Hamlett in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Hamlett in Phenix, in the "Fire House" last Saturday night. There was a large attendance of relatives and friends and many nice and useful gifts were received. Refreshments were served.

Mr. Allen Hamlett is on the ailing list, has been suffering with a strained back for several days.

Sunday afternoon visitors of Mrs. C. W. Slayton were Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Slayton, of Farmville.

Through the week and over week end visitors in the home of Mrs. W. J. Payne were Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence O'Neil, of Longbeach Col., who arrived here last Tuesday night. Mrs. Mildred Young and Mrs. Dave Rosser, of Prospect, and her son Mr. W. J. Payne, Jr., of Waynesboro.

Mrs. N. E. Farrar entered the Virginia Baptist Hospital last Wednesday and underwent minor surgery on Friday. She is getting on very nicely.

Anne Stuart Farrar spent the week end in Lynchburg with a classmate from Seven Hills School, Miss Meg Stovall.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Beale were Sunday night supper guests of her sisters, Mrs. Aimie Orange and Mrs. Elsie Smith, of Prospect.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Maxwell visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Martin last Sunday night.

Week end guests of the Maxwell's were Rev. Wilbur G. Maxwell, of Richmond; Tom Maxwell, of Longwood College; Miss Bonnie Moore, of Appomattox; Douglas Maxwell attended a U. S. Marine Corps drill in Lynchburg Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Franklin and family visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Riegel, of Emporia, Sunday. The Franklins also visited Sunday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Campbell, of Prospect.

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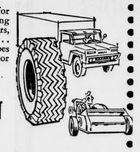

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Pastor Speaks

Using The Napkin

The napkin is useful as an accessory, helping a subordinate's capacity. Something extra added to help, a piece of clothing worn to complete one's outfit, but not really essential.

The Biblical use as described in Luke 19:20 as a piece of cloth used to wrap up a talent of money for hiding. A type of napkin was used to bind the body of one for burial such as Jesus had around him.

Actually he is the one-talented man in Luke 19 who took his Lord's money and wrapping it in a napkin hid it in the ground. When we reflect upon the attitude of this one-talented man, we wonder if he would not have done the same thing it had been more than one talent. His trouble was that he had no vision, resources yes, but vision no.

In all my ministry I have never met a one-talented person. Each of us have multiple potentials and abilities.

Take the capacity for prayer. Each has this ability to communicate with God and to let Him communicate with them. But in fact we accept the fact that if we do not develop this trait, we will loose the potential. People say to me, "I used to pray, and God seemed so near. But something has happened and no longer do I have the sense of urgency and awareness of him.

A close friend said recently, "I don't know what is happening, for I no longer have the interest in my Church and the Lord as I once had." Perhaps the exercise of the use of the talent of prayer is no longer being exercised. We lose our perspective, we become more self-centered, and become guilty of hiding our Lord's talent, when we cease to exercise this area of worship. We may become guilty of handing back to our Lord, our lives neatly wrapped up in a napkin. More times are brought by prayer than this world dreams of.

What about the talent to love? God has given this to every creation of His. Have you ever watched the chipmunk, the squirrel, the birds as they show their affection? It's an interesting and revealing sight. God through His spirit has given this gift to every person. Develop it and it will bless your life. Hide it in a napkin and watch life 'Love is stronger than death'', shrink to nothingness.

The Wisdom writer says that However fancy, if you wrap up your talent in a napkin not only will you be doing a disservice to God, but to your own life. There are more one-talent and two-talent jobs in this world than in any other area. Whether its Noah's carpenting, Dorcas's sewing, Peter's fishing or Mary's loving. God will bless and develop those who

Edward H. Hale obse
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I cannot do everything.
But still I can do some
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Wildlife Week March 15-21

"America needs outdoor recreation —Act Now to Provide for the Future", is the theme of Wildlife Week being observed throughout Virginia and across the nation March 15-21, Game Warden Charles D. Torrence, of Appomattox announced today. The annual event is sponsored by the National Wildlife Federation and its state affiliates, the Virginia Wildlife Federation. Adequate Outdoor Recreation opportunities and facilities are or should be a matter of vital concern to all residents of this community and surrounding areas, Warden Torrence said.

Warden Torrence will be working with representatives of other state and federal agencies and members of Virginia Wildlife Federation clubs to outline steps that people in this community can take to insure adequate planning and development of outdoor recreation facilities on the local, state and national levels to meet our current and future needs. Groups desiring special programs or materials may contact Mr. Torrence or Dr. W. A. Pennington, Buckingham, local Wildlife Week Chairmen.

Highway Dept. Promotes Luck

Alfred M. Luck, 42, a native of Lynchburg, has been promoted to assistant right-of-way engineer for the State Highway Department. He fills the position left vacant by the recent death of John S. Talmage.

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Services Held For Raymond H. Turner

A very large crowd attended the ordination services for brother Raymond H. Turner last Sunday evening at 3 p.m. from the Mount Shiloh Baptist Church. A council composed of twelve ministers and over twenty-five deacons conducted the ceremony. The pastor of the church conducted the devotional period. The Rev. J. P. Rose served as moderator, Rev. C. H. Hill, catechizer; Rev. H. W. Pryor delivered the sermon; Rev. R. A. Edwards, prayer; Rev. P. C. Waller, Charge to the candidate; Rev. J. A. Carter, Charge to the church; Rev. C. A. Vaughan, presentation of the Bible; Revs. C. L. Elliott and J. W. Paige in charge of the candidate. The Rev. J. A. Hudson served as secretary of the council. The general offering was taken by Deacons Frank Johnson, J. D. Scruggs and J. Brown.

The public is invited to attend the annual Ladies Day program at the Mount Shiloh Baptist Church this Sunday evening at 3 p.m. The Mount Shiloh Baptist Church of Monroe, Va. will be the special guest. Representatives from local ladies' clubs are invited to take an active part in the program.

A special choir festival will be conducted at the Galilee Baptist Church this Sunday evening at 7:30. The program is being sponsored by the Galilee Senior Choir. The public is invited to attend.

The regular meeting of the East and West Bound Sunday School Union will convene with the Springfield Baptist Church this Easter Sunday beginning at 10 a.m. all Sunday Schools of the Union are asked to send representatives. A special Easter program has been planned. Dinner will be served by the home school. Members of the church are urged to attend.

The special evening service sponsored by the Promise Land Baptist Church last Sunday evening was a success. Mrs. Annie Harvey was the leader. The Rev. C. L. Elliott was the guest speaker. Special music was rendered by the church choir. The total offering reported was $20.76. Deacon Stewart Robinson will be the leader for the April service.

The public is invited to attend the Lenten preaching services at the Galilee Baptist Church this Sunday at 11:30 a.m.

Mrs. R. G. Lawing and Mrs. Theda Harris were the Sunday dinner guests of Deacon and Mrs. Bernet Turner last Sunday.

All churches in the county are asked to take special part in the Red Cross Drive. We have been asked by the local chapter to our best in helping the county to reach its goal of $38,000. We are asking each minister and church officer to make the appeal for the special offering.

Mr. Leslie Robinson, of Ballmatox, spent the week end here as the guest of his grandmother, Mrs. John Morgan.

A overflow crowd attended the finals of the basketball tournament here last Saturday. We are happy to report our girls won the district and the tournament. Our boys won in final game also.

Mrs. Zena Jeffress will speak at the Jordan Baptist Church Tuesday, March 17th at 7 p.m. also the spiritualettes quartette of Charlotte Court House will render a short program. You are invited to come and bring a friend with you.

The Spring revival will start at The Jordan Baptist Church Wednesday, March 25, at 7:30 p.m. through Easter Sunday night. Preaching will be each night at 7:30. The public is invited to attend.

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Basic training is climaxed by a graduation review before the commanding general of Fort Jackson, Major General Charles S. D'Orsa.

Private Mann attended Appomattox High School, Appomattox, Va. Prior to entering the service he was employed by the Craddock and Terry Shoe Co., Lynchburg.

Birthdays

Mrs. Louise Rosser — March 11
Audrey Dale Inge — March 22
Frances Powell — March 22
Clyde Lynn Price — March 11

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ed to him as "Harry Floyd Byrd, brother of the famed explorer, Richard Edward Byrd." Sad, sad. It should have been Harry Flood Byrd and Richard Evelyn Byrd.

One can pick up information from cute programs. The state with the greatest density of population is not Rhode Island or Connecticuit, but New Jersey. (If Virginia wore a New Jersey, what would Delaware?)

The best way to assemble a Museum collection is to take advantage of opportunity. And so we came home from Farmville Sunday afternoon with a brick from the original Old Tavern-Hotel, where a wall collapsed last week, and now the entire structure is razed. Lee and Grant both stayed briefly in this hostelry on the Via Dolorosa (for Lee) to Appomattox in 1865. Incidently, Lee always signed his name, "R. E. Lee" instead of the full name.

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Let us have a hearty welcome to the fine people who will be in our area for some months working on the underground telephone line project near Spears Mountain. If you see these people around, make them feel at home. As we grow in size, may we grow in friendliness!

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"A thing of beauty is a joy forever.' I think the poet Robert Browning said that. May I add that true beauty is Within. It is in the soul, the heart, the mind, and conduct of each one of us. The great President of World War I wrote the following limerick:

As a beauty I am not a star
There are others more handsome by far.
But my face, I don't mind it,
For I am behind it . . .
'Tis those in front get the jar!

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A local drug store stocked a supply of "Beatle Wigs.' At latest count they had sold nine(9); at $2.98 each.

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A fine young lad from San Antonio put on a good performance on a recent show . . . he was the yo-yo and top spinning champ! Good boy! As a lad my skill was more with jack rocks and home-made rabbit boxes.

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Shureks . . . no room today for more of my "Appomattox Quix." Just one for the road: Who was the first Supt. at the local Tranaco Pump Station? (Otis Dewberry.)

* We stand in recess until next Thursday.

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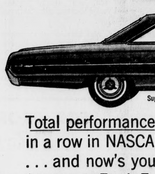

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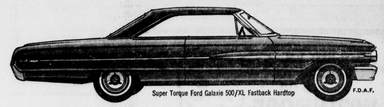

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